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In re Application of:
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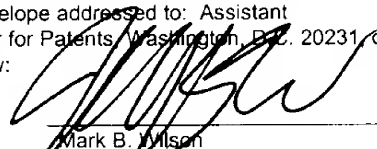
Filed: July 1, 1996

For: Methylthioadenosine Phosphorylase
Compositions and Methods of Use in the
Diagnosis and Treatment of Proliferative
Disorders

Group Art Unit: 1655

Examiner: Lisa Arthur

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**I. RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED OCTOBER 12, 2001 AND
II. REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicant respectfully submits a Response to the Official Action mailed October 12, 2000 (the "Action"). A response to the Action is due on April 12, 2001, by virtue of the enclosed Petition for Extension of Time and payment of the appropriate fees.

Reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested.

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), Applicant petitions for an extension of time of three months, to and including April 12, 2001, in which to respond to the Office Action dated October